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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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FOR THE

TOWN OF LITCHFIELD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

WALTER A. CROWELL GEORGE C. GOFFE
HERBERT C. LEACH

CLERK AND TREASURER

ISAAC N. CENTER

ROAD AGENTS

WALTER E. McQUESTEN GEORGE C. GOFFE

AUDITORS

ROY H. CAMPBELL WALTER E. McQUESTEN

TRUSTEES

JOHN A. WILSON FRANK F. CORNING
ISAAC N. CENTER

TAX COLLECTOR

CHARLES W. BARNES

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Litchfield, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at two of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for permanent improvement and maintenance of highways in addition to what is required by law and take action in regard to State aid.
4. To see what amount of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Public Library.
5. To see what action the town will take in regard to locating a site for the Cutter Memorial Library.

6. To see what action the town will take in regard to suppressing the White Pine Blister Rust and make appropriation therefor.

7. To see what action the town will take in celebration of Memorial Day and make appropriation for the same.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise the salary of the Supervisors of the Check List.

9. To see if the town will vote to spray the trees along the highway or take any action relating thereto.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and nineteen.

WALTER A. CROWELL,
GEORGE C. GOFFE,
HERBERT C. LEACH,

Selectmen of Litchfield.

A true copy of Warrant attest:

WALTER A. CROWELL,
GEORGE C. GOFFE.
HERBERT C. LEACH,

Selectmen of Litchfield.

Selectmen's Report

INVENTORY APRIL 1, 1918

Lands and Buildings,	\$257,130 00
Horses, 75,	11,100 00
Mules, 1,	70 00
Cows, 225,	17,590 00
Neat Stock, 40,	2,240 00
Sheep, 8,	80 00
Hogs, 17,	515 00
Automobiles, 11,	4,970 00
Portable mills and wood saw mills,	1,400 00
Wood and Lumber,	24,960 00
Stock in Public Funds,	1,200 00
Stock in Banks,	6,900 00
Money on hand,	8,000 00
Stock in trade,	20,575 00
Water power priviledge,	15,000 00
Mills and machinery,	7,600 00
	\$379,330 00

STATEMENT

Total taxable inventory,	\$379,330 00
Rate per cent,	80
65 Polls,	130 00
Amount committed to collector,	3,164 64

APPROPRIATIONS

State tax,	\$744 00
County tax,	748 51
Town highway,	369 94
State aid construction,	552 00
Schools,	1,037 50
Library,	70 00

BALANCE SHEET, JAN. 31, 1919

ASSETS

Cash in Treasury,	\$5,408 15
Uncollected taxes, 1918,	137 96
Liberty Bonds,	2,000 00
Due from State Highway Joint fund,	560 21

Total Assets,	\$8,106 32
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LIABILITIES

Due School District, balance,	\$1084 50
Dog licenses,	52 80
Literary fund,	23 04
State and Town Highway Fund,	933 55

Total Liabilities.	\$2,093 89
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TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall,	\$1,500 00
“ “ equipment,	50 00
Library equipment,	150 00
Highway machinery,	200 00
	\$1,900 00

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Property and Poll taxes for 1918	\$8,032 33	
“ “ “ “ “ 1917	380 66	
From State; Insurance tax	22 50	
“ “ Railroad tax	949 06	
“ “ Savings Bank tax	958 00	
“ “ Literary fund	19 50	
“ “ Highway dep't.	25 26	
Dog licenses, 1917	52 80	
“ “ 1918	64 80	
Interest on deposits and bonds	57 65	
Total receipts	—————	\$5,562 56
Cash on hand at beginning of year		5,728 82
Total		<u>\$11,291 38</u>

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Salaries and expenses of	
Town Officers	\$292 35
Election expenses	36 00
Town Hall	12 00
Town Highways	465 77
State “	67 88
Maintenance	5 25
School District	1,417 50
Library	70 00
State tax	744 00
County tax	748 51

Liberty Bonds	2,000 00	
Unclassified	23 97	
Total Payments,	————	\$5,883 23
Orders drawn but not paid		8 00
		\$5,875 23

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

SALARIES

1st Selectman, Walter A. Crowell	\$50 00
2nd " George C. Goffe	35 00
3rd " Herbert C. Leach	25 00
Clerk, Isaac N. Center	20 00
Treasurer, Isaac N. Center	20 00
Collector, Charles W. Barnes	45 00
Health Officer, Norris C. Griffin	3 00
Auditor, Roy H. Campbell	1 00
" Walter E. McQuesten	1 00

EXPENSES

Town Reports	30 80
" Seal	2 50
Trustees bond	24 00
N. H. Assessor's Association	6 40
Safety Deposit Box	2 50
Health officer expense to Concord	2 00
Aid to travellers	1 80
Stationery and Stamps	3 00
Warrants and inventory envelopes	90
Tax Collector's book	2 00

Tax Collector's bills and postage	4 25	
Collecting dog licenses	4 00	
Abatements 1917 tax	4 60	
" 1918 tax	3 60	
		\$292 35

ELECTION EXPENSE

Moderator, Walter E. McQuesten	\$9 00	
Supervisor, Charles W. Leach	6 00	
" Elbert O. Putnam	5 00	
" Willie R. Shepherd	4 00	
Ballot Clerk, J. A. Reid	4 00	
" " C. H. Chase	4 00	
" " G. L. Danforth	2 00	
" " N. W. Morgan	2 00	
		\$36 00

TOWN HALL

Wood	\$9 00	
Cleaning	3 00	
		\$12 00

TOWN HIGHWAYS

Paid W. E. McQuesten,		
Road Agent	\$293 82	
G. C. Goffe, Road Agent	80 50	
B. C. Morgan, Road Agent	39 25	
F. F. Corning, Snow bill	10 00	
Geo. Bourdon, " "	6 00	
F. D. Cook Lumber Co.	36 20	
		\$465 77

STATE HIGHWAY

Paid Ernest P. Blodgett, labor	\$25 75	
Fessenden and Lowell, lumber	35 63	
H. C. Leach, team	5 00	
G. W. Morgan, team	1 50	
		\$67 88

MAINTENANCE

Paid W. R. Shepherd, grading	\$2 25	
G. W. Morgan, “	3 00	
		\$5 25

UNCLASSIFIED

Damage by dogs	\$7 00	
Flags for Memorial Day	5 00	
Stone Bounds	7 92	
Tax on Bancroft land	4 05	
		\$23 97

STATEMENT OF JOINT FUND ACCOUNT

State appropriation 1918	\$331 28	
Town appropriation 1918	552 00	
		\$883 28

BALANCE FROM 1917

State Treasury	\$254 19	
Town Treasury	424 17	
		\$678 38
Total available 1918		\$1,561 64

EXPENDED 1918

State	25 26	
Town	42 62	
		\$67 88
Balance, Jan. 31, 1919		\$1,493 76
In State Treasury	\$560 21	
" Town "	933 55	
		\$1,493 76

STATEMENT OF TOWN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Balance from 1917	\$471 62	
Appropriated 1918	369 94	
		\$841 56
Expended		\$465 77
Balance		\$375 79

WALTER A. CROWELL,
 GEORGE C. GOFFE,
 HERBERT C. LEACH,
 Selectmen.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing reports and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

WALTER E. McQUESTEN,
 ROY H. CAMPBELL,
 Auditors.

Treasurer's Report

Cash in Treasury, Jan. 31, 1918	\$5,728 82	
Rec'd of Town Clerk, dog license, 1917	52 80	
C. W. Barnes, Collector, 1917 tax	380 66	
C. W. Barnes, Collector, 1918 tax	3,032 33	
Town Clerk, dog licenses, 1918	64 80	
State Treasurer, Insurance tax	22 50	
Railroad tax	949 06	
Savings Bank tax	958 00	
Literary Fund	19 50	
Highway Dept.	25 26	
Interest on Bonds and Deposits	57 65	
	—————	\$11,291 38
Paid Selectmen's orders	5,875 23	
Cash in Treasury, Jan. 31, 1919	5,416 15	
	—————	\$11,291 38

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC N. CENTER,

Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing report and find it correctly cast and well vouched.

WALTER E. McQUESTION,
ROY H. CAMPBELL.

Auditors.

Road Agent's Reports

WALTER E. McQUESTEN, ROAD AGENT

To cash received from Town \$293 82

FOR LABOR

Paid Walter E. McQuesten	\$167 71	
Amos Saunders	20 25	
Fred McQuesten	20 25	
Isaac N. Center	20 25	
Eugene Haight	6 44	
Freeling Parker	12 24	
“ “ gravel	18 20	
Francis Lund	11 65	
Frank S. Bancroft	2 50	
Fardine Moreau	9 33	
C. M. Haight, horse	5 00	
		\$293 82

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. McQUESTEN,
Road Agent.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing report and find it correctly cast and well vouched.

ROY H. CAMPBELL,
Auditor.

GEORGE C. GOFFE, ROAD AGENT

Paid W. R. Shepherd, Snow bill	\$3 25	
C. B. Campbell, " "	2 75	
Henry Annis. " "	8 25	
G. L. Danforth " "	3 25	
G. C. Goffe " "	1 25	
F. L. Center	8 25	
Geo. Bourdon	34 00	
Herbert Watts	3 50	
R. H. Campbell	15 00	
T. B. Ambrose	75	
G. C. Goffe	25	
		\$80 50

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing reports and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

WALTER E. McQUESTEN,
ROY H. CAMPBELL,

Auditors.

REPORT OF SALE OF BANCROFT PROPERTY

N. C. GRIFFIN, AGENT

RECEIPTS

Lot 1	Timber	\$11,250 00	
1½	½ Land	200 00	
2	Home place	350 00	
3	Harvey lot	220 00	
4	½ Near F. Hardy lot	95 00	
5	¼ Pugatory lot	35 00	
6	¼ Meadow lot	50 00	
7	¼ Morse lot	65 00	
8	½ Parker lot	70 00	
	Personal Property	79 19	
	Int.	101 25	
			\$12,515 44

EXPENDITURES

Auctioneer	\$139 55	
Haight	50	
Deeds	50	
Revenue stamps	4 00	
Searching Records	3 00	
N. C. Griffin	25 00	
J. A. Broderick	5 00	
F. S. Bancroft ½ Timber	5,675 62	
		\$5,853 17
		\$6,662 27

Report of Town Trustees

January 31st, 1919

CHARLES BANCROFT BRIDGE FUND

Cash in Amoskeag Savings		
Bank, January 31st, 1918	\$9,976 20	
Interest to July 1st, 1918	199 52	
Balance in bank		\$10,175 72

Cash in Manchester Savings		
Bank, January 31st, 1918	\$2,150 79	
Interest to July 1st, 1918	35 83	
Balance in Bank		\$2,186 62

Received from Selectmen for sale of Bancroft Bridge Fund, real estate and deposited Manchester Safety Trust and Deposit Co. Certificate		\$6,662 27
Total Bridge Fund		\$19,024 61

JOHN KENNARD LIBRARY FUND

Cash in Amoskeag Savings	
Bank, January 31st, 1918	\$584 00

Interest to July 1st, 1918	23 36	
Total Library Fund	—————	\$607 36

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK F. CORNING,
JOHN A. WILSON,
ISAAC N. CENTER,

Trustees.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing reports and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

WALTER E. McQUESTEN,
ROY H. CAMPBELL,

Auditors.

Library Report

The Trustees of the Public Library hereby submit their twenty-seventh annual report.

The board of Trustees was organized at the beginning of the year by the choice of Amos Saunders as President and Treasurer, Mrs. Mary J. S. Campbell as Secretary and Florence C. Center as Librarian.

Our Library is growing larger from year to year by the purchase and donation of books and more room will soon be needed.

Through the kindness of Mr. Aaron Cutler it has been made possible for the town to have a new Library building in the near future and one that will be a credit to the town. Only for a slight hold-up in legal matters the money would have been available this spring.

I hope the people of the town who are interested in the Library will be considering the location for the building.

The term of office of Corabel B. Griffin and Walter E. McQuesten expire this spring.

Respectfully submitted

AMOS SAUNDERS

For the Trustees.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE TOWN LIBRARY

The Treasurer of the board of Trustees of the Town
Library hereby submits his annual report.

Cash on hand January 31, 1918	\$63 73	
Received from Town	70 00	
		\$133 73
Paid for Insurance on Library	\$9 90	
300 rules and regulations	2 00	
1 record book	40	
books	53 18	
salary of Librarian	26 00	
		\$91 48
Cash on hand January 31, 1919		\$42 25

AMOS SAUNDERS

Treasurer

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing
reports and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

W. E. McQUESTEN

ROY H. CAMPBELL

Auditors

SUPPLEMENTARY CATALOGUE

January 31, 1918—January 31, 1919

Abbot, Willis J., Soldiers of the Sea	H 2074
Aldrich, Mildred, The Peak of the Load	H 2076
Andrews, Mary R. S., The Three Things	F 2055
Bailey, Temple, The Tin Soldier	F 2080
Bindloss, Harold, The Lure of the North	F 2062
Canfield, Dorothy, Hillsborough People	F 2078
“ “ Home Fires in France	F 2084
Churchill, Winston, A Traveller in War Times	H 2063
Clarke, George Herbert, ed., A Treasury of War Poetry	D 2049
Cleaves, Charles Poole, A Case of Sardines,	F 2064
Clemens, Samuel, The Adventures of Tom Sawyer	J 2060
Clemens, Samuel, Huckleberry Finn	J 2061
Comstock, Harriet T., Mamselle Jo	F 2069
Connor, Ralph, The Major	F 2048
Cullum, Ridgwell, The Triumph of John Kars	F 2075
Day, Holman, Where Your Treasure Is	F 2053
Empry, Arthur Guy, Over the Top	H 2051
Frost, Robert, North of Boston	D 2086
Gale, Zona, A Daughter of The Morning	F 2058
“ “ Birth	F 2088
Grayson, David, Great Possessions	L 2047
Grey, Jane, The W. P. Trail	F 2073
“ “ The Desert of Wheat	F 2079
Hammond, Otis Grant, The Flag and Seal of New Hampshire	H 2040
Huard, Frances Wilson, My Home in the Field of Mercy	H 2046

Ibanez, Vincente Blasco, The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse	F 2087
Johnston, Mary, Foes	F 2070
Johnston, William, Limpsy	J 2057
Kyne, Peter B., The Valley of the Giants	F 2072
Lincoln, Joseph C., Shavings	F 2071
Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer of the World	R 2089
Lutz, Grace L. H., The Enchanted Barn	F 2059
McCarter, Margaret Hill, The Reclaimers	F 2066
O'Brien, Edward J., Best Short Stories of 1918	L 2085
Porter, Eleanor H., Oh, Money, Money	F 2054
Prouty, Olive Higgins, The Star in the Window	F 2082
Putnam, G. P., The World's Progress	R 2091
Rinehart, Mary Roberts, The Amazing Interlude	F 2067
Smith, F. Hopkinson Felix O'Day	F 2052
Stratton-Porter, Gene, A Daughter of the Land	F 2056
Sweeter, Lieutenant Edward, Dere Mable	F 2068
Tarkington, Booth, The Magnificent Ambersons	F 2081
Van Dyke, Henry, Fighting for Peace	H 2050
Ward, Mrs. Humphrey, Missing	F 2065
“ “ “ Elizabeth's Campaign	F 2077
Webster's Dictionary	R 2090
Wells, H. G., Mr. Britling Sees It Through	F 2044
Wilkins-Freeman, Mary E., Edgewater People	F 2083
New Hampshire Manual for the General Court, No. 15, 1917	2039
New Hampshire Agriculture, Vol. XXXIV, 1915-1916	2041

Manual N. H. Constitutional Convention, 1918	2042
Laws of New Hampshire, Vol. 7, 1801-1811	2043

DONATIONS

The Century	Miss Mary L. Marsh
Harper's	Mrs. F. H. McQuesten
Woman's Home Companion	Mrs S. G. Saunders
Magazines	Eugene G. Haight
A Case of Sardines	Rev. C. P. Cleaves
Homes Fires in France	Florence C. Center
Five volumes	State of New Hampshire
Three volumes	Nashua City Library

Total number of volumes	2,091
Added during the year	53
Purchased by Trustees	43
Donated	10
Loaned during the year	611

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE C. CENTER,
Librarian.

Report of the School Board

The School Board will be obliged to submit to the Town a short report from Feb. 16, 1918, (time of last report) to Aug. 31, 1918, as according to School Laws Section 1, Chapter 122: 1917.

The fiscal year of town and special school district beginning Feb. 16, 1917, shall end Aug. 31, 1918, and thereafter the fiscal and the scholastic year shall end Aug. 31, annually.

Miss Florence Thackleberry who was teaching at the time of last report remained till the school closed in June then handed in her resignation to take effect at closing of the school and Miss Mary E. McQuesten, a graduate of the Keene Normal School and a resident of this town was engaged for the fall term which opened on September 9th.

The government's call for every one to do their bit in raising food was answered to an extent that interfered in some family's with the children's attendance at school causing some of our scholars to be some what behind in their work but now that the war is over and more help available we hope that the parents will see that we have as perfect attendance as possible and a little extra effort by the children ought soon to make up the lost time.

By the school laws of the state we ask for the following:

For tuitions	\$250 00
For text books and supplies	60 00

Respectfully submitted,

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,
BERTHA C. CAMPBELL,
REBECCA G. BLODGETT,

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year	\$10 61	
Amount of money required by law to be raised for schools	787 50	
Amount assessed to pay for necessary school books and supplies	50 00	
Amount assessed to pay High School tuitions	200 00	
Amount for salaries and expenses of district officers	30 00	
Amount from Dog licenses, April, 1918	52 80	
		\$1,230 91
Amount due from Town		\$1,393 71
Total revenue for currant expenses		\$2,624 62

EXPENDITURES

Teacher's salary	\$297 00	
School supplies and books	20 79	
Janitor service	15 75	
Fuel	17 50	
Repairs	35	
Transportation of scholars	152 50	
High School tuitions	202 00	
Total Expenditures,		\$705 89

SCHOOL REPORT

TEACHER	No. of Weeks	Wages per month	No. of Scholar	Per Cent of Attendance	No. of Visitors	No. of Visits of School Board
Florence Thackleberry	10	\$60	25	72.28 %	2	2
Florence Thackleberry	10	60	26	80.69 %	2	5

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

2 terms, Ralph Wilson

1 term. Edith Ford

Respectfully submitted,

LIZZIE D. SHEPHARD,
 BERTHA C. CAMPBELL,
 REBECCA G. BLODGETT,

School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

From January 31, 1918 to August 31, 1918,
end of school year.

RECEIPTS

Cash in Treasury Jan. 31, 1918	\$10 61	
Received of Town Treasurer	887 50	
“ from pupils attending		
High School for tickets	17 50	
“ Rent of No. 3 School House	20 00	
		\$935 61

PAYMENTS

Florence Thackleberry for teaching	\$297 00	
Transportation of pupils	152 50	
Books and supplies	20 79	
Janitor Work	15 75	
Fuel	17 50	
Repairs	35	
Tuition Nashua High School	165 00	
McGaw Normal Institute	37 00	
Cash in hand of School Treasurer	229 72	
		\$935 61

Due from Town, Aug. 31, 1918 \$1,668 55

AMOS SAUNDERS, Treasurer.

WALTER E. McQUESTEN,

ROY H. CAMPBELL,

Auditors.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1918

Date of Birth	Christian Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 25	Marie Jeanette R. Bissonette	F	L	3	W	Ovilla Bissonette	Anna Blair	Farmer	Nashua	St. Fran. Mom. P. Q.
June 6	Orra Susan Leach	"	"	1	"	Herbert C. Leach	Amy L. Putnam	"	Litchfield	Bedford
July 20	Gertrude May Wilson	"	"	5	"	John A. Wilson	Gertrude H. Dunbar	Millhand	Prince Edward Island	Manchester

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1918

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of each	Occupation	Names of Parents	No. of Mar'ge	By Whom Married
Jan. 19	Litchfield	Isaac N. Center Mary Bell Hutchins	Litchfield Northwood	— —	Farmer Nurse	Isaac N. Center Mary White J. Edwin Cole Olive A. Newell	— —	Charles P. Cleaves Clergyman

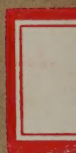
DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LITCHFIELD, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1918

Date	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age Y M D	Place of Birth	Sex	Single or Married	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Apr. 23	Litchfield	Matthew M. Campbell	68 10 28	Litchfield	M	M	Farmer	Smith Campbell	Sophia Hille
June 6	"	Orra Susan Leach	— — 1	"	F	S	— — —	Herbert C. Leach	Amy L. Putnam
" 10	"	Amy L. Leach	24 3 21	Bedford	"	M	Housewife	J. Henry Putnam	Susan Lilibridge
*May 3	Nashua	Fred McQuesten	58 8 29	Litchfield	M	"	Farmer	Charles McQuesten	Mary Gould

* Brought to Litchfield for interment.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of records of Births, Marriages and Deaths recorded by the Town Clerk of Litchfield, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918.

ISAAC N. CENTER, *Town Clerk.*



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